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"The Water Mill."

Listen to the water mill
All the livelong day—
How the clicking of the wheel
Wears the hours away.
Languidly the autumn wind
Stirs the greenwood leaves;
From the field the reapers sing,
Binding up the sheaves;
And a memory o'er my mind
As a spell is cast;
The mill will never grind
With the water that is past.
Take the lesson to yourself,
Loving heart and true;
Golden years are fleeting by;
Youth is passing, too.
Strive to make the most of life,
Lose no happy day;
Time will never bring you back
Chances swept away.
Leave no tender word unsaid,
Love while love lasts—
The mill will never grind
With the water that is past.
Work while yet the daylight shines,
Man of thought and will,
Never does the streamlet glide
Useless by the mill;
Wait not till to-morrow's sun
Beams upon your way,
All that you can call your own
Lies in the to-day.
Power, intellect and health
May not always last—
The mill cannot grind
With water that is past.
—Gen. D. C. McCallum.

New York Correspondence.

NEW YORK, JUNE 13, 1877.

HORSES.

The racing season was inaugurated last week with unusual brilliancy. Jerome Park was crowded with the fashion of the city, and some very good time was made by the steppers. The amount of money invested in fast goers in this city is enormous. Robert Bonner, the Ledger man, has nearly a half a million in this kind of property, some of his horses being worth \$30,000, if they could be bought at all. The Lorrillards, the Lenoxes, and all the rich families consider it essential to their standing to have more or less good horse-flesh, and any fine day there can be seen in the Park hundreds of horses who can make time very low down in the 30's, every young man of fashion (thinking it necessary to have his fast horse). The late Belmont had \$50,000 in horses when he exploded. It is a pretty sight to see the fast horses out on a fine day in the Park, and the drives there about, many of the teams being driven by ladies, who get to be as skillful with the whip as their male escorts. Women all like good horses, and it is a passion with them to drive. There is no better business than the breeding and fitting of fine horses. The most ordinary style of carriage horse that have any style at all are worth \$1,200 a pair; and they run from that, according to style and training, up to \$5,000. This without any particular speed. Give a horse speed in addition to style, and the lucky brooder may get his own price, and get it. For this grade of stock the market is never overstocked. There are constantly coming in wealthy men who can afford to pay these prices for what they fancy, and it is now more than ever the fashion. There are enough of poor horses, and they sell as cheaply here as anywhere, but good horses are always in demand, and always at a very high price.

THE KING SUITS.

The city has compromised with Sweeney, for about one-tenth of what he really stole. This leaves the Sweeneys rich, but boss Tweed, it is said by those who profess to know his exact circumstances, will be left comparatively poor. But the boss does not care for that. He made friends when he had power, and he believes he can rally his old followers, and be once more the arbiter of New York politics. All he wants is to get out of jail, and get a chance to utter his war cry once more. The old gangs who never had so generous a pay master will rally round him, and he can undoubtedly gain so much power in the city as to make him essential to the more respectable politicians. And then it will take no time at all for him to get back all the money he has lost, and more. He is unquestionably the most popular man in the city; that is, he can get the greatest following among the class who wield political power here. He always divided fairly what he stole, and the lesser plunders sigh for his leadership again. They never lived as well as when he was at the head. He has had a hard time of it for a few years, but he is still strong enough to make it lively again. Yesterday the last of the absconders, Richard B. Connolly, compromised with the city, and will return to his native land. Connolly returns to the city \$1,500,000. The real reason for the settlement is that it costs so much to prosecute these men, that, if the city should recover all that was stolen, it would inevitably go to the hands of the lawyers and for other court expenses. What is gotten now will go to the city direct. It is curious, but defaulters can never stay away from their country. Possessed of millions—Connolly had all his in bonds—they were still outcasts and vagabonds. They were admitted to no society, they had no associations except among themselves, and their life was one of constant annoy-

ance and discomfort. Connolly has been trying to get back for a year, and he is doubtless the happiest man to-day on the globe. He will come back to New York, and with his old associates take charge of the democracy of New York again, and may assist Tilden in another campaign for reform.

A DISGRACE.

Visitors to the Philadelphia Exposition will remember a colossal bronze arm and hand holding a torch, which was on exhibition there. This is a part of a statue entitled "Liberty enlightening the world," paid for by citizens of Paris, and donated to this country to be set up as a beacon light on Bedloe's Island, at the entrance of the harbor of the city. The statue is of gigantic size, and the light from the torch illuminates a vast space. The statue is here, but New York is too mean to raise money to set it up, and there is a good prospect that it will never be taken out of the cases. It is a disgrace that the great city has not the courtesy and public spirit to make use of so generous and appropriate a gift.

THE GAMBLERS.

are having a hard time of it. The softs who have heretofore bled for their benefit have not now the money to squander, and the poor gamblers are falling one by one. The effects of John Chamberlain, next to Morrissey the most noted faro banker in this city, were sold at auction last week, and the rich furniture of his palace brought very small prices. It was a gorgeous concern three years ago. Every night at 12, a supper was set in the place, free to all, that could not have been had at Delmonico's for less than \$5 a plate, to say nothing of wines. The most expensive dishes, cooked and served by French artists, with the most gorgeous service, and in a magnificently appointed room, was free to whoever chose to sit down to it. In those days it was nothing for rich men to lose their thousands there, and Chamberlain was very rich. But he could not avoid gambling himself, and he would invest in race-tracks at Long Branch, and go into a great many speculations, and the hard times came on, and tools either hadn't the money or had grown wiser, and so Chamberlain came to grief. He is a poor man to-day, and will stay so till the bucket gets full and begins to slop over. Such men only thrive when money is made very easily. Morrissey is more acute. When the times were flush, he invested his profits in good shape and drew out of all kinds of gambling except that which could be run very cheaply. Something like twenty gambling houses have closed within the month, not by law, but by what is stronger than law, hard times. One of them went to Broadway, leaving three wives and innumerable creditors. The wives were ignorant of each other's existence, till they all met at his place to see what had become of him. Another found himself ruined one night, and he did the world the only service he ever did, by blowing his brains out, in his rooms where thousands had been ruined. Others are keeping bars—that business flourishes yet—and a greater number are living upon the women they once supported in luxury. It is a bad time for the gamblers.

FIRE-WORKS.

The citizens are moving vigorously to have the authorities prohibit the use of fire-works on the coming Fourth, and forever after, except such as shall be used by the city in its regular demonstration. It is to be hoped it will succeed. Every Fourth of July the hospitals are crowded with persons injured by fire-works in the hands of the reckless gamblers who delight in them; and every year there is a long list of property destroyed by the same agency. It is no small matter to have a hundred thousand little wretches armed with crackers, torpedoes, and the scores of other missiles, throwing them everywhere among horses and men, and into buildings. It is a wonder that the experience of Portland is not more frequently repeated. New York will be spared this terror, this year, and other cities should follow the example.

BUSINESS.

is frightfully bad, and there is every reason to suppose it will so continue till the fall crops move. The South is doing rather more than usual, but the North and West are buying but little. It will be a dull summer.

PINRHO.

[SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.]

It is just coming to light that New York is blessed with a great, though almost unknown Philanthropist in the person of Elizabeth Thompson, a modest and retiring widow lady of wealth, who has for years devoted her life and energies in behalf of those who are not like herself possessed with an abundance of this world's goods.

She has avoided notoriety and has only sought to extend a helping hand to the worthy. When her history is written (as it will be) the world will know that the success of many business men, as well as public institutions, was due to the timely assistance extended by the noble woman. She is now studying the "labor question," with a view of working out in some practical way, the problem of how to give employment to the thousands of unemployed in this city.

CUSTOM HOUSE.

Collector Arthur appeared before the Custom House investigating committee a few days since. He claimed that most of the complaints made by the business men of New York were of long standing and that the cause had long ago been removed. There appears, however, to be another side to this question, for some of the men are yet in office, against whom, some of the most serious charges have in the past been made. Mr. Arthur objected to the Commission entertaining evidence obtained from discharged employees.

RAPID TRANSIT.

The rousing rapid transit meeting held at Chickering Hall a few evenings ago caused some members of the last legislature to tremble in their boots. The object of the meeting seemed to have been to make inquiries into the action of the New York members on this question last winter. Out of the twenty one members only four voted in favor of the bill. This question will doubtless be the prominent issue at the next election, as some old "wheel horses" have taken matters in hand, and the horse railroad companies will not in future have matters all their own way.

FIREWORKS ON THE 4TH.

There is an ordinance in full force, which was passed in 1864, prohibiting the firing of crackers, "snakes" and other explosives, within the city limits. The Insurance Companies are making strenuous efforts to have the law enforced the coming 4th; and no doubt Mayor Bely will see that it is carried out. The Mayor recently received a call from a delegation of Firework Manufacturers. Of course the prohibiting fireworks in the city will greatly injure their trade, yet this question is somewhat like the "swill milk" question. The arrest of the Blaisville swill milk dealers was hard on the dealers, but a good thing for the community. There has been a session of the Grand Lodge E. J. A. M. in this city lasting several days at which much business of great interest to the order was transacted.

ANNA DICKENSON.

is living at the 5th Ave. Hotel and is busy writing a new play, taking some of her lectures as the basis. A wealthy lady of this city has taken such an interest in Miss Dickenson, that she has engaged F. B. Carpenter the artist, to paint Anna in the character of Anne Boleyn; the principal character in her play of "A Crown of Thorns." We admire the pluck and energy of Miss Dickenson, and hope her superior mental qualifications will yet triumph, and in the end secure the approbation of those who have been her severest critics.

Miss Julia River, the fair Cincinnati Pianist is meeting with success and winning the approbation of the public at Gilmore's Garden. Mr. Gilmore has wisely set apart every Thursday night for the rendition of a programme composed of classical music. All who are cultivated in the art will appreciate this; although there are a large number of persons who do not enjoy music except it be of a familiar kind, and they can have the privilege to join in the chorus in humming or whistling an accompaniment with the band.

PUBLIC BATHS.

Six free public baths have just been opened and the boys are consequently in high glee. Separate hours are set apart for the benefit of female bathers. A few more baths could be opened advantageously, as each additional one would provide the poorer classes with advantages for securing health, saving of life and avoiding doctor-bills.

New York City, June 11th, 1877.

Our Washington Letter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1, 1877.

A GRACEFUL TRIBUTE TO THE DEAD. The wife of President Hayes has done many sensible things since she came to Washington, to attract the approval of the thinking people of the country. Her example, in lifting the extravagance of female attire, which had for years distinguished society at the Capital, and her noble stand in favor of practical temperance have made her so many friends that her popularity runs far ahead of that of any of her predecessors at the White House. The last graceful act, giving indubitable evidence of having been prompted by a good heart, was that of strewing flowers upon the soldiers' graves at Arlington on Decoration-day. She, in company with her little daughter, proceeded to the tomb of the Unknown, and evading as much as possible the public gaze, deposited the sweet tokens of remembrance upon the resting places of those who have not been identified, but whose heroic sacrifices are known to Omnipotence. This simple act speaks volumes in favor of Mrs. Hayes.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORMS THE WORK OF LEGISLATION.

It is very evident that any system of rules and regulations for the guidance of the heads of Departments, in making appointments for the civil service of the Government should be statutory, if it be desirable to secure uniformity and permanence. As we have it at present, there is no general application of a well considered set of rules, made to be applicable to

all the Departments. The Secretaries and Postmaster and Attorney Generals have each his individual views, which he proposes to adopt for the government of his own household. One says "no more than one of a family should be employed." Another permits two or more of the same domestic circle to feed at Uncle Sam's crib. There is no uniformity, and until there be some general rules established by law, all talk about civil-service reform is merely talk and no more.

AMENDING STATE CONSTITUTIONS IN THE SOUTH.

It was predicted long ago that so soon as the Democratic party would get control of the Southern State Governments, systematic efforts would be made to overthrow the whole work of reconstruction in detail. We now have evidence of the truth of that prophecy. In Georgia, it is proposed to call a Convention for the purpose of amending the State Constitution. In South Carolina, similar action is to be resorted to, to remodel the existing fundamental law. Before another decade shall have passed away, scarcely a vestige of the provisions for the protection of all classes without regard to "race, color, or previous condition of servitude" will remain. Truly the fifteenth amendment of the Constitution of the United States prohibits any State action in derogation of this equality, but with the evidence we have of the rapid strides towards the acknowledgment of the old States' Rights doctrine, the Constitutional inhibition will be questioned, or the accomplishment of the end desired will be reached by indirection.

WANT OF UNITY IN THE CABINET.

The members of the Cabinet of President Hayes are widely apart on questions that will be live issues during this administration. Evarts and Schurz are in accord, or nearly so, on the tariff question. Thompson and Sherman are believed to be protectionists, and will antagonize them. Schurz, Evarts and Sherman hold similar financial views, with Evarts in favor of a bimetallic standard. Thompson and Key are in favor of granting subsidies. The other members of the Cabinet are supposed to be opposed. There never was such a disparity of opinions, (judging from the individual records) held by any Cabinet since the organization of the Government, on vital questions of Governmental policy. In constructing his Message to Congress the President will gain little from the advice of his Ministers. He cannot reflect the views of all. He will be compelled to stand independently upon his own.

DEMOCRATIC OSTRACISM.

Democrats in Washington laugh in their sleeves when they compare the treatment accorded to the members of their party, who are continued in Departmental service under Republican rule, with that of Republican employees in a Department of the Government under Democratic rule. Isaac Strohm, of Ohio, had been engraving clerk of the House of Representatives for seventeen years. He was a model officer, whose services could not be dispensed with during the last two sessions of the House, but being a good Republican, he was told, a few days ago, that they could not manage to get along without him, and that he might go, and leave room for some Democrat. The old man has gone, and furnishes another evidence that with Democrats in power no Republican need apply, while, under a Republican Administration, the political antecedents of neither occupants nor applicants are to be inquired into. Is this the feast to which Republicans were invited?

DECORATION DAY AT BALL'S BLUFF.

The ceremony of decorating with flowers the graves of the Union soldiers who fell at Ball's Bluff is represented to have been of an interesting character. The orator of the day was Hon. Alonso Bell, the Assistant Secretary of the Interior. Mr. Bell is a gentleman of fine literary attainments, from whose pen emanated many political productions during recent campaigns. As an officer of the Government he stands in high estimation with all who have had business intercourse with him, while he possesses the entire confidence of his Chief. We hope Mr. Bell will publish his address, so that his many friends, who had not the pleasure of being present on the occasion of its delivery, may have an opportunity of benefitting themselves by a perusal.

APPROACHING STATE ELECTIONS.

There will be state elections in ten states, between the present and the time fixed for the assembling of Congress in extra-session. So far as is indicated by the political complexion of the legislatures, five of these states are Republican, namely California, Vermont, Maine, Ohio and Indiana. An endorsement or disapproval of the President's Southern policy will be an issue in these, which will serve to make the results matters of interest. Of course, the Democratic states will say "amen," but it is not so certain that the Republican states will do so. No doubt expressions of opinions on the subject will be given in conventions of the party, and it is really of importance to know how the party pulse beats on a leading measure concerning which there appears to be no little difference. H. A.

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LEAVE	Arrive	Arrive	Arrive
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Vine St. Wharf.....	7:30	8:00	4:15
Cooper's Point.....	7:40	8:15	4:30
Kalgh's Siding.....	8:34	8:39	4:47
Haddonfield.....	8:50	8:47	4:54
Ashtland.....	9:12	8:52	5:00
Kirkwood.....	9:45	9:03	5:12
Berlin.....	10:10	9:10	5:19
Waterford.....	10:35	9:19	5:29
Ansco.....	10:45	9:24	5:34
Winslow.....	11:05	9:29	5:40
Vineland Junction.....	11:10	9:35	5:53
Hammonton.....	11:40	9:50	5:57
DaCosta.....	11:55	9:55	5:55
Elwood.....	12:20	9:55	6:05
Egg Harbor.....	1:00	10:09	6:17
Pomona.....	1:25	10:17	6:29
Absecon.....	2:05	10:29	6:41
Atlantic arrive.....	2:30	10:44	6:58

UP TRAINS.

LEAVE	Arrive	Arrive	Arrive
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Atlantic.....	6:25	11:30	4:15
Absecon.....	6:37	12:05	4:33
Pomona.....	6:49	12:30	4:44
Egg Harbor.....	7:01	1:00	4:56
Elwood.....	7:12	1:25	5:13
DaCosta.....	7:21	1:45	5:23
Hammonton.....	6:55	7:27	2:15
Vineland Junction.....	6:08	7:35	2:30
Winslow.....	6:15	7:38	2:40
Ansco.....	6:20	7:44	2:50
Waterford.....	6:26	7:50	3:05
Atco.....	12:30	6:30	3:35
Berlin.....	12:42	6:44	3:55
White Horse.....	12:57	7:00	4:25
Ashtland.....	1:04	7:06	4:42
Haddonfield.....	1:14	7:15	4:59
Kalgh's Siding.....	1:40	7:40	5:35
Cooper's Point.....	1:50	7:50	5:50
Vine St. Wharf.....	1:50	7:50	5:50

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